GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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REVIVAL OF PDS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) wether the Government is actively considering a proposal to revive Public Distribution System(PDS) in Metropolitan cities like Delhi;

(b) if so, whether the people belonging to APL will also be included in the new scheme; and

(c) if so, the details of the revival plan?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a): No, Sir.

(b) & (c): The Public Distribution System in operation in the country caters to the foodgrains requirement of the entire population which has been divided into three categories namely, Above Poverty Line(APL), Below Poverty Line(BPL) and Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY). Foodgrains are made available to all including APL families @ 35 kg. per family per month.